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IN THE CLAIMS

1. (Previously Cancelled)

2. (Previously Amended) A chair, comprising:

a seat defining a seat area and at least one upwardly facing seat pocket;

a back defining a back engagement area and at least one downwardly

facing back pocket; and

- 5 a resilient elongated pivot member defining a lower section engaged within the seat pocket and an upper section engaged within the back pocket, wherein the pivot member comprises a resilient pivot bar formed of a resilient flexible material, and a limit member which cooperates with the pivot bar to define a limit of rearward movement of the back relative to the seat, wherein the limit member is formed of a rigid
- 10 resilient material, and wherein the limit member functions to provide a stop against rearward movement of the back by means of interference structure interposed between the pivot bar and the limit member.

3. (Original) The chair of claim 2, wherein the interference structure comprises a protrusion formed on the pivot bar and an opening formed in the limit member, wherein the protrusion extends into the opening.

4. (Previously amended) The chair of claim 3, wherein the opening and the protrusion are configured to define a gap between an edge of the protrusion and an edge of the opening when the back is in an at-rest position, and wherein rearward movement of the back causes the pivot bar to flex to reduce a dimension of the gap, and
- 5 wherein rearward movement of the back to a predetermined rearwardmost position causes engagement of the protrusion with the edge of the opening to eliminate the gap and to prevent further rearward movement of the back relative to the seat.

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